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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Steven J. Brown et al.

Serial No.: 09/965,201

Filed: 25 September 2001

For: "IDENTIFICATION OF MODULATORY MOLECULES USING

INDUCIBLE PROMOTERS "

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.131

Mail Stop: Patent Application Commissioner for Patents U.S.P.T.O. P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA, 222313-1450

Dear Sir:

I, David B. Waller, declare that:

I am a registered patent agent in good standing before the United States Patent and Trademark Office (No. 43,978) and the agent of record in the above-identified patent application prior to May 2001:

claims 1-42 are currently pending in view of a restriction requirement filed 26 July 2004;

all of the actions, events and observations described in this declaration occurred in the United States, prior to May 2001;

the exhibits listed in Table below are true and accurate copies of documents demonstrating that conception of the invention disclosed in the above-identified patent application was made prior to May 2001;

Exhibit	Description
1	A redacted Confidential Disclosure agreement between Axiom Biotechnologies and David B. Waller executed at the time of disclosure of the invention and prior to May 2001.
2	The first and last page of a redacted letter to the Pandi Veerapandian (Chief Executive Officer of Axiom Biotechnologies) providing an analysis of the patentability of the invention dated prior to May 2001.
3	A redacted e-mail and attached redacted letter to the inventor providing a set of draft claims for review based on the invention prior to May 2001.

that the exhibits listed in the table demonstrate a continued due diligence from conception by the inventor to the filing of the application prior to May 2001;

that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both (18 U.S.C. §1001), and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 4 March 2005

David B. Waller

Patent Agent of Record

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Exhibit 1

CONFIDENTIAL DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

SUBJECT

Matrix Profiling: A process for improved drug delivery and Use of inducible gene expression systems for identification of drug target modulators

This AGREEMENT is entered into as of between David B. Waller ("RECIPIENT"), having a place of business at 11404 Sorrento Valley Road, Suite 104 San Diego, CA 92121 and Axiom Court San Diego, CA 92121.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, DISLCOSING PARTY has developed certain Proprietary Technology relating to the invention described above (see SUBJECT):

WHEREAS, RECIPIENT desires to receive information relating to DISLCOSING PARTY'S Proprietary Technology in order to evaluate the Proprietary Technology in order to provide consulting services to DISCLOSING PARTY regarding patenting this technology:

WHEREAS, RECIPIENT appreciates that DISLCOSING PARTY has expended money and effort to establish a proprietary position with respect to the developments it has made and that DISLCOSING PARTY considers these developments and information pertaining thereto to be its proprietary property; and

WHEREAS, DISLCOSING PARTY is willing to demonstrate its Proprietary Technology and/or to reveal to RECIPIENT certain technical information relating to its proprietary property on a confidential basis,

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, and of the mutual covenants, terms and conditions hereinafter expressed, DISLCOSING PARTY and RECIPIENT agree as follows:

- A confidential relationship is hereby established between the parties.
- 2. "Proprietary Technology" shall mean technical information and tangible materials relating to the above identified subject matter not previously disclosed to RECIPIENT including, where appropriate and without limitation, any information, patent disclosures, patent applications, structures, models, compositions and apparatus relating to the same disclosed in writing (or if oral, confirmed in writing within 30 days) by DISLCOSING PARTY to RECIPIENT or obtained by RECIPIENT through observation or examination of such, but only to the extent that such information or developments are
- 3. RECIPIENT shall preserve as confidential and shall not use any of such Proprietary Technology except as necessary in connection with RECIPIENTS evaluation of such Proprietary Technology and shall not disclose or permit disclosure of same to anyone other than employees, contractors or agents of RECIPIENT who are bound by written agreements with RECIPIENT to maintain such Proprietary Technology in confidence. Additionally, RECIPIENT agrees that he will not use the Proprietary Technology to advance, further, or otherwise improve his proprietary position, if any, with



RECIPIENT shall have no liability to DISLCOSING PARTY with respect to use, or disclosure to others not party to this Agreement, of such Proprietary Technology which RECIPIENT can (a) have been publicly known,

(b) have been publicly known, without fault on the part of the RECIPIENT, subsequent to disclosure by DISLCOSING PARTY of such Proprietary Technology to RECIPIENT.

(c) have been otherwise known by RECIPIENT prior to communication by DISLCOSING PARTY to RECIPIENT of such Proprietary Technology, or

(d) have been received by RECIPIENT at any time from a source other than DISLCOSING PARTY lawfully having possession of such Proprietary Technology.

In addition, any combination of features shall not be deemed to be within the foregoing exceptions merely because individual features are in the public domain or in the possession of RECIPIENT. Only if the combination itself and its principle of operation are in the public domain or in the possession of RECIPIENT shall the combination be considered to fall within the exceptions of this paragraph.

- After ninety (90) days from the date of this Agreement or the actual disclosure of 5. Proprietary Technology, whichever is later, RECIPIENT agrees to promptly return all tangible items relating to the Proprietary Technology, including all written material, photographs, models, compositions and the like made available or supplied by DISLCOSING PARTY to RECIPIENT, and all copies thereof, upon the request of DISLCOSING PARTY, except at his option for one copy to be maintained by his legal counsel for reference purposes only to verify compliance with this Agreement. RECIPIENT further agrees to identify those persons to whom the Proprietary Technology that is the subject of this Agreement was disclosed upon request of DISLCOSING PARTY.
- The obligation of RECIPIENT of nondisclosure and non-use shall continue for a period 6. of five (5) years from the date hereof at which time it will cease.
- This Agreement shall not be construed to grant any license or other rights except as specified herein.
 - 8. RECIPIENT may not assign this Agreement.
- DISLCOSING PARTY warrants that, to the best of its knowledge, it is the owner of the Proprietary Technology. DISLCOSING PARTY makes no other warranty relating to the Proprietary Technology and the use to be made thereof by RECIPIENT and disclaims all implied warranties.
 - RECIPIENT'S evaluation of the Proprietary Technology shall be at its own risk.
- This Agreement is intended to be severable. Should any part or provision of this Agreement be found to be unenforceable or invalid for any reason, the remaining parts and provisions will
- The Agreement represents the entire agreement between the parties regarding the subject 12. matter hereof.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO:

DISLCOSING PARTY Date Date



Exhibit 2

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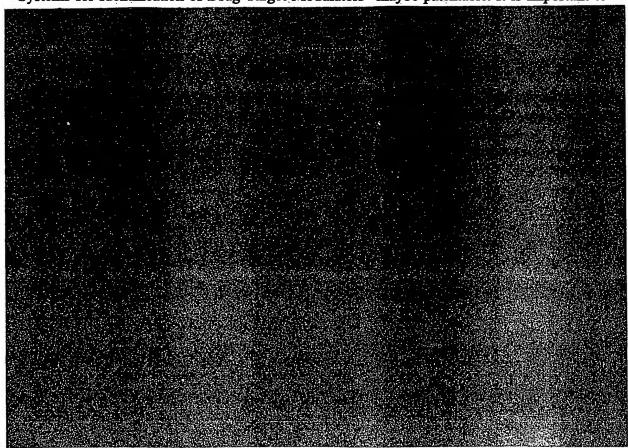
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Pandi Veerapandian Axiom Biotechologies, Inc.. 3550 General Atomics Court San Diego, CA 92121

Dear Dr. Veerapandian;

You have requested that Patent Solutions perform an analysis to determine if the invention developed by Dr. Damien Dunnington regarding the "Use of Inducible Gene Expression Systems for Identification of Drug Target Modulators" maybe patentable. It is important to



If you have any questions please contact me at (858) 450-1357.

Sincerely;

David B. Waller

President





David Waller

Exhibit 3

David Waller <dwaller@patentsolutions.org>damien dunnington <damien@axiombjo.com> From: To: Axpat1claims.doc Draft Claims Sent:

Attach: Subject:

Dear Damien, As requested Patent Solutions has prepared the following claims for your review and comments, see attached. Please contact me if you have any questions (858) 450-1357.

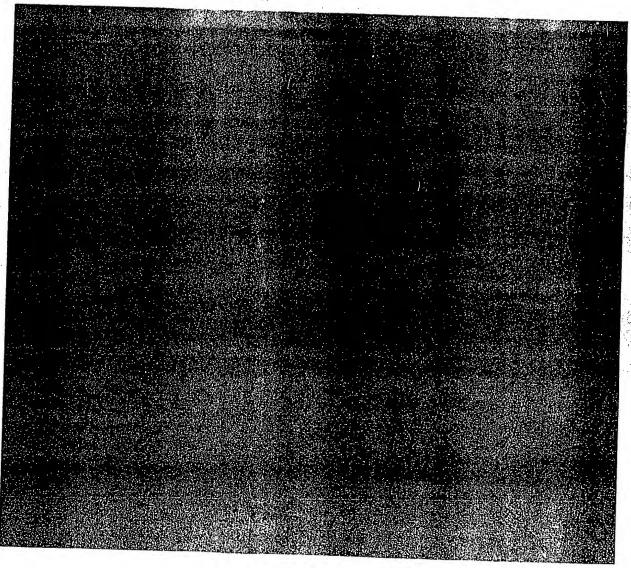
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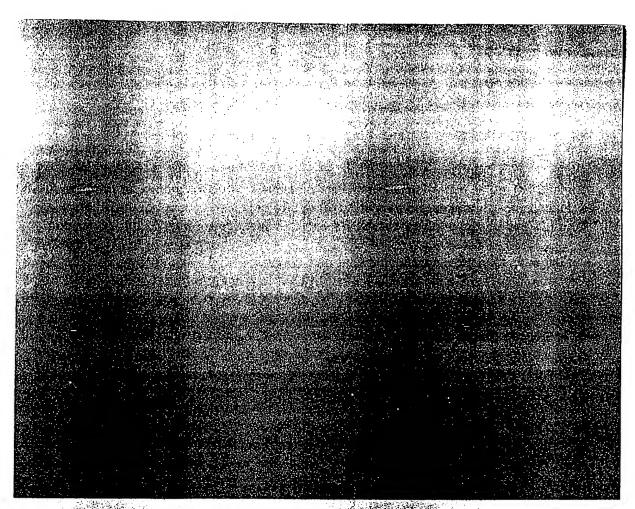
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Damien Dunnington Axiom Biotechologies, Inc.. 3550 General Atomics Court San Diego, CA 92121

Dear Dr. Dunnington;
As per our discussion
Patent Solutions has prepared the following set of draft claims for your review and comments:







Information enclosed in brackets identifies the information needed to complete the claim. Please review these claims carefully to assure that they fully encompass the scope of your invention and provide as much of the information as possible to complete the claims. If you have any questions please contact me at (858) 450-1357.

Sincerely;

David B. Waller President



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